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## Viewing cable 04BUCHAREST3448, COALITION POLITICS LEAVE ROMANIANS WONDERING WHO WILL FORM NEW GOVERNMENT; NASTASE TRIES TO HANG ON

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Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
<a href="#">04BUCHAREST3448</a>	<a href="#">2004-12-15 17:09</a>	<a href="#">2011-08-30 01:44</a>	<a href="#">CONFIDENTIAL</a>	<a href="#">Embassy Bucharest</a>

Appears in these articles:  
<http://www.kamikazeonline.ro/2011/03/basescu-la-ambasada-sua-dupa-cstigarea-alegerilor-psd-l-ameninta-pe-voiculescu-cu-dosare/>

This record is a partial extract of the original cable. The full text of the original cable is not available.

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 01 OF 02 BUCHAREST 003448

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STATE DEPT FOR EUR/NCE - WILLIAM SILKWORTH

E.O. 12958: DECL: 12/14/2014

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SUBJECT: COALITION POLITICS LEAVE ROMANIANS WONDERING WHO WILL FORM NEW GOVERNMENT; NASTASE TRIES TO HANG ON

REF: A. BUCHAREST 3416

[1](#)B. BUCHAREST 3421 C. BUCHAREST 3442

Classified By: Political Section Chief Robert S. Gilchrist for Reasons 1.4 B and D

[1](#)1. (C) Summary. Center-left Social Democratic Party (PSD) Prime Minister Adrian Nastase is attempting to remain in power through a coalition c  
[1](#)2. (C) Contacts in both of the principal political blocs have approached post December 14-15 with information indicating the ruling Social Dem  
[1](#)3. (C) Prior to Basescu's win, PUR and UDMR contacts told post their parties were "extremely pleased" with the terms they had received in negc  
[1](#)4. (C) However, the foundations of the PSD-constructed house of cards were severely shaken by the seismic impact of a clear Basescu victory. I  
[1](#)5. (C) Meanwhile, President-elect Traian Basescu remains firmly committed to a PNL-PD-led government, as he declared publicly during his Decen  
[1](#)6. (C) At the same time, as president, Basescu will wield powerful constitutional prerogatives that give him an upper hand in shutting out PSI  
[1](#)7. (C) In a private conversation with the Ambassador on December 15, Basescu was clearly ebullient. He presented a governing approach aimed at  
[1](#)8. (C) Naturally, the PSD has come to the same conclusion and has already made a serious effort at sabotage. Basescu told the Ambassador that  
[1](#)9. (C) Basescu reiterated some of the same themes that he accented during his acceptance speech and campaign style appearance the previous nig  
[1](#)10. (C) Comment: While PSD emerged with the largest parliamentary bloc in November 28 elections, Basescu's December 12 victory has delivered s  
11.(U) Amembassy Bucharest,s reporting telegrams are available on the Bucharest SIPRNET Website  
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